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## RESPONSE TO FORMALITIES LETTER

Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated Elected Office, enclosed herewith are the following:

- 1. Copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated Elected Office.
- 2. Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney documents of the inventors.
- 3. FEES: \$65.00 for Surcharge.

Please charge the fees in the amount of \$65.00 to Deposit Account No. 08-2461. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed for that purpose.

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Respectfully submitted,

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## NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 09/30/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 09/30/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 09/30/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 09/30/2005

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27. must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

### SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$65 for a Small Entity:

\$65 Surcharge.

Additionally the following defects have been observed:

The International Search Report has not be supplied, the Search Fee has been adjusted to reflect this
omission.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the response.

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